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COUNTY OF ERIE

MARK C. POLONCARZ

COUNTY EXECUTIVE

May 5, 2014

Erie County Legislature
92 Franklin Street, 4th Floor
Buffalo, New York 14202

Re: Linstar Secure Identity Solutions Service Agreement

Dear Honorable Members:

Enclosed please find an accompanying memorandum and proposed resolution from the Department of Emergency Services requesting authorization to enter into a contract with Linstar Secure Identity Solutions to provide maintenance on the credentialing system. The cost of the agreement is \$5,000.00.

Should your Honorable Body require further information, I encourage you to contact Commissioner Dan Neaverth Jr. at the Department of Emergency Services. Thank you for your consideration on this matter.

Sincerely yours,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Mark C. Poloncarz", is written over the typed name and title.

Mark C. Poloncarz, Esq.
Erie County Executive

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Enclosure

MEMORANDUM

To: Honorable Members of the Erie County Legislature
From: Department of Emergency Services
Re: Linstar Secure Identity Solutions Service Agreement
Date: May 5, 2014

SUMMARY

The Department of Emergency Services is seeking authorization to allow the County Executive to enter into an agreement with Linstar Secure Identity Solutions to provide maintenance on the alpha numeric paging system in the amount of \$5,000.00.

FISCAL IMPLICATIONS

There is no fiscal impact on the county operating budget. The funds to cover this contact will be coming out of 100% reimbursable homeland security grant funds. The funds in the grants are already approved by the state to be utilized for this project.

REASONS FOR RECOMMENDATION

The Department of Emergency Services currently uses Linstar to make credentialing badges and accountability tags for the first responders of Erie County and maintenance for the software and hardware for this system need to be completed in order for the system to function properly.

BACKGROUND INFORMATION

Emergency Services has agreed to utilize homeland security funds to assist the first responders of Erie County by producing accountability tags as well as credential personnel during a major incident. The system is in place and responders are utilizing it however proper maintenance and upgrades to the software need to be completed so that the system can continue to function properly.

CONSEQUENCES OF NEGATIVE ACTION

Without this Legislation the department will not be able to provide maintenance on the system and the system will begin to malfunction and not allow for credentialing of first responders.

STEPS FOLLOWING APPROVAL

The County Executive will sign the contract, the Department of Emergency will be able to work with Linstar Secure Identity Solutions to properly maintain the system and the first responders within the county will have successful accountability tags generated as well as disaster credentialing completed.

**A RESOLUTION SUBMITTED BY:
DEPARTMENT OF EMERGENCY SERVICES**

**RE: Linstar Secure Identity Solutions
Service Agreement**

WHEREAS, the Department of Homeland Security through the NYS Department of Homeland Security and Emergency Services has agreed to provide funding to continue the implementation of programs to enhance the ability of Erie County to manage emergency and disaster situations; and

WHEREAS, authorization is required from the Erie County Legislature for the County Executive to enter into a contract with Linstar Secure Identity Solutions to provide maintenance on the credentialing system in the amount of \$5,000.00; and

WHEREAS, the contract will be managed by the Erie County Department of Emergency Services.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT

RESOLVED, that the Erie County Legislature does hereby authorize the County Executive to enter into a contract beginning January 1, 2014 through December 31, 2014 with Linstar Secure Identity Solutions for the purposes of providing maintenance on the equipment of the credentialing system in the amount of \$5,000.00 per year; and be it further

RESOLVED, that the grant which will be reimbursed for this expense will be HS167SHSP1114; and be it further

RESOLVED, that certified copies of this resolution be sent to the County Executive's Office, the Division of Budget and Management, the Department of Personnel, the Department of Emergency Services c/o Melissa Calhoun, the County Comptroller, and the County Attorney.